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1. Twelve four-axis heavy-duty flatcars, each loaded with one box 13 meters long and 3 meters high and labeled "Zerbst" as destination were observed at the Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard fifteen (green) new radio trucks, without markings, were part of the same shipment.

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2. 25 flatcars, each loaded with one box 5 meters long and 3 meters high and labeled "Zerbst" as destination, were observed at the Frankfurt/Oder military loading ramp.

3. 25 flatcars, each loaded with one box 13 meters long and 3 meters high and labeled "Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard" as destination, were observed at the Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard. The same cars left the yard with new labels "From Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard to Zerbst" on 3 February 1950 at 3 p.m.

 Comment:

The same source previously reported one shipment of 22 fighters and two more shipments of 50 fighters dispatched to Zerbst*. It seems rather improbable that all these shipments were actually earmarked for the Zerbst airfield. On the other hand another source reported the continuous arrival by train of large boxes in Zerbst between 6 and 14 February 1950. ** However, it is doubted that these shipments are the mentioned ones from Frankfurt/Oder; rather, it is assumed that the reports are either false or that all aircraft shipments (probably jet planes) for reasons of military secrecy are only seemingly dispatched to Zerbst. Possibly these shipments are speedily rerouted within the Soviet Zone of Germany to their actual destination.

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